



PITTSBURGH FEDERAL EXECUTIVE BOARD

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October 25, 2002

MEMORANDUM TO ALL AGENCIES

SUBJECT: PRE-Retirement Planning Seminar

FROM: George P. Buck, Executive Director

We are pleased to announce that our Pre-Retirement Seminar Committee is sponsoring a seminar for all employees who are **within 1-20 years** from eligibility for retirement. Pre-registration with your agency is required. No walk-ins will be permitted.

Details are as follows:

Location: Union Trust Building
(Two Mellon Bank Center)
10th Floor, Room 1000
Downtown Pittsburgh

Date: Thursday, November 14, 2002

Time: 8:00 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.
(Registration begins at 7:30 A.M)

Fee: **\$20.00** per employee
Payment may be made by credit card, training form, purchase Order, or check or money order made payable to the **Pittsburgh Federal Executive Board.**

Topics: **CSRS and FERS**
Social Security and Medicare
Survivor Benefits Planning
Thrift Savings Plan
Long Term Care
Flexible Spending Account

Attendance is limited to 340 people. Registrations will be accepted on a first-come first served basis, until capacity is reached. Since we plan to sponsor these seminars on a regular basis, the committee reserves the right to limit the number of attendees by one agency. Spouses will be eligible to attend but will be required to pay the \$20.00 fee.

The deadline for reservations is November 6, 2002. Please use the attached form to register. No telephone registrations will be accepted. If you have any questions about the seminar, please contact the FEB office at (412) 395-6220.

PRE-RETIREMENT SEMINAR
November 14, 2002
REGISTRATION FORM
Union Trust Building (Two Mellon Bank Center)
10th Floor, Room 1000

Agency _____

Address _____

Contact Person/Phone # _____

ATTENDEES

NAME	RETIREMENT SYSTEM (CHECK ONE)*			
	CSRS	CSRS OFFSET	FERS	FERS TRANSFEREE
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Payment is **\$20.00** for employees. Payment may be made by credit card (visa or master), training form, purchase order, or check or money order made payable to the **Pittsburgh Federal Executive Board**.

CCN _____ EXP. _____

Name/FAX NO: _____

DEADLINE DATE FOR RESERVATIONS IS November 6, 2002. No telephone reservations will be accepted. Reservations should be forwarded to the following address:

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Refunds will be given if cancellation is by close of business November 6, 2002.

Attachment

RETIREMENT SYSTEM DEFINITIONS

1. CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM (CSRS)

Any employee first hired prior to January 1, 1984 who has had no break-in-service (or a break of less than 366 days) and has not voluntarily transferred to Federal Employment Retirement System (FERS) continues to be covered by the Civil Service Retirement System.

2. OFFSET CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The Offset Civil Service Retirement System is a blend of retirement systems. First, to become covered under the Offset Civil Service Retirement System the employee must be vested (employee has five (5) years of creditable civilian service) in the Civil Service Retirement System then have a break-in-service of 366 or more days. Upon return to federal civilian employment, Offset Civil Service coverage is automatic.

3. FEDERAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (FERS)

All employees first hired after January 1, 1984 are mandatorily covered by FERS, as are employees rehired after a break-in-service of 366 or more days who were NOT vested at the date of separation.

4. FERS TRANSFEREE

Employees who transferred to FERS, but have a CSRS component, are considered FERS transferees.